

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q91051

Hiroyuki SAKAI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/808,321

Group Art Unit: 1732

Confirmation No.: 5430

Examiner: UNKNOWN

Filed: March 25, 2004

For: METHOD OF PREPARATION OF LENS

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This responds to the Election of Species Requirement, dated February 21, 2007. The Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to more than one distinct species. The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted. The Examiner believes there are no generic claims. Applicant has been advised that a response to this requirement shall include an identification of the species that is elected and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

In response to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant elects Species III, "A method of manufacturing a glass lens wherein a dynamic temperature or cooling rate of the glass mold is corrected in response to a detected irregularity in the lens," for examination. Claims 4, 9 and 13 are readable on the elected species.

The election is made without traverse.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

Response to Restriction Requirement
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Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to non-elected Claims 1-3, 5-8, 10-12, 14 and 15.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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